# Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Office of Rural Health

# Nebraska NHSC State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP)



### **Program Description**

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) provides cost-sharing grants to more than 30 states to operate their own loan repayment programs. These state programs offer loan repayment to primary care providers working in Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs).

### **Eligible Disciplines**

#### In Nebraska, includes:

- Physicians (MDs or DOs specializing in pediatrics, geriatrics, psychiatry, family or internal medicine, and obstetrics and gynecology)
- Nurse Practitioners (specializing in adult, family, pediatrics, psychiatry/mental health, geriatrics, women's health and certified nurse-midwives)
- Physician Assistants (specializing in adult, family, pediatrics, psychiatry/mental health, geriatrics, or women's health)
- Dental Professionals (general, pediatric, registered dental hygienists)
- Mental Health Professionals (health service psychologists, licensed clinical social workers, psychiatric nurse specialists, licensed professional counselors, marriage and family therapists
- Pharmacists

#### **Service Commitment**

- ➤ Minimum 2-year service commitment
- Additional 1 year of service for each year of additional support

SLRP participants are now also eligible for the Part-Time Service option that is available through the National Health Service Corps. For more information, visit NHSC.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/halftimeprogram

#### **Financial Benefits**

Loan repayment assistance for qualified education debt. \$25,000-\$50,000 per year (includes local match)

## **Tax Liability**

#### Not taxable

# **Application Requirements**

- U.S. citizen (U.S. born or naturalized), U.S/ national, or Lawful Permanent Resident
- Licensed to practice in Nebraska
- Currently work or be applying to or accepted to work at an eligible site that is located in a federally designated Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA).
- Unpaid government or commercial loans for school tuition, reasonable education expenses and reasonable living expenses, segregated from all other debts (that is, not consolidated with non-educational loans).

#### **Web Site**

http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/hew orh.aspx